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1. REF B REQUESTS EMBASSY ASSESSMENT OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTING CLIMATE FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN HOST COUNTRY. PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT IS TO PROVIDE UNCLASSIFIED REFERENCE FOR USE BY POST AND WASHINGTON AGENCIES IN BRIEFING BOTH U.S. OFFICIALS AND BUSINESSMEN AND FOR USE BY U.S. REPRESENTATIVES PARTICIPATING IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES DEALING WITH INVESTMENT, FINANCE AND TRADE ISSUES.

2. REF B REQUESTS FOR STATISTICAL DATA ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT ARE TO OBTAIN SUPPLEMENTAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION FROM PUBLISHED HOST GOVERNMENT STATISTICS OR EMBASSY UNCLASSIFIED

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ESTIMATES BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE THROUGH NORMAL EMBASSY CONTACTS IN HOST COUNTRIES.

3. USDOC BENCHMARK SURVEY ON INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT IS DETAILED STATISTICAL SURVEY OF U.S. INVESTMENTS ABROAD WHICH IS REQUIRED BY INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT SURVEY ACT OF 1976. ALL U.S. FIRMS ARE REQUIRED BY ACT TO

PROVIDE INFORMATION ON ALL FOREIGN BUSINESS ENTITIES IN WHICH THEY OWN TEN PERCENT OR MORE OF VOTING STOCK. WHILE SOME DATA REQUIREMENTS ARE WAIVED WHEN TOTAL VALUE OF FOREIGN BUSINESS ENTITY IS DOLS 500,000 OR LESS, ALL DIRECT FOREIGN INVESTMENTS OF U.S. PARENT COMPANIES MUST BE REPORTED. INFORMATION SUPPLIED FOR SURVEY WILL BE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL AND ,ROPRIETARY INFORMATION, AND WILL BE USED FOR STATISTICAL AND ANALYTICAL PURPOSES ONLY, AND IS AVAILABLE ONLY BY PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORIZATION TO SELECTED U.S.G. OFFICIALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT SURVEY ACT.

4. DEPARTMENT CANNOT PROVIDE LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES REQUESTED REF A. SINCE ALL BENCHMARK QUESTIONNAIRE FORMS WERE SENT TO U.S. PARENT CORPORATIONS, WHICH HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION. FORWARDING QUESTIONNAIRES TO SUBSIDIARIES FOR COMPLETION IS AT PARENT CORPORATION'S DISCRETION. VANCE

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